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Title : DIRECT SYNTHESIS METHOD FOR THE  
PRODUCTION OF ETHERIFIED MELAMINE RESIN  
CONDENSATES, MELAMINE RESIN  
CONDENSATES, AND USE THEREOF

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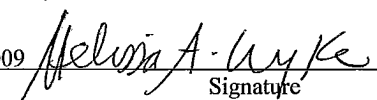
**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

In response to the Office Action dated August 18, 2009, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks, Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 and a one-month Petition for Extension of Time along with the relevant fees.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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